

NEWS for the YOUNG PEOPLE

AMUSING LITTLE FUN MAKER

Game of "Word Rhapsody" Gives Much Entertainment—Excellent School Exercise Afforded.

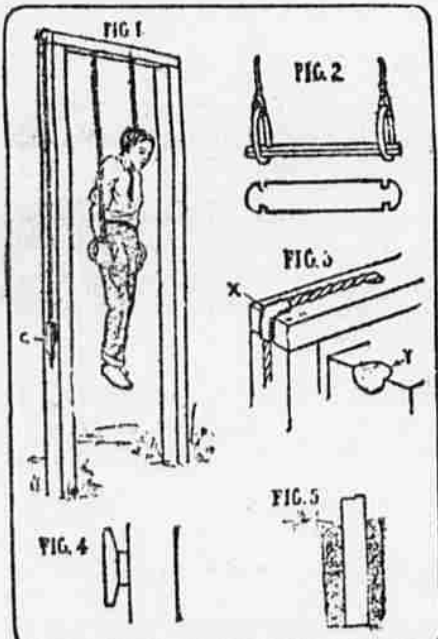
With the coming of the long autumn evenings and the entertainments and parties which they bring, comes the old question: "Isn't there something new that we can play?"

It is always difficult to find anything altogether fresh and original, and some of the older games, a trifle worked over and freshened up, will be found quite as interesting as anything else. For instance, there are many word games, but not one is quite like the little fun-maker known as the "word rhapsody." In playing this game each of the guests is called upon to choose one word. This word is written upon a little card furnished by the hostess. It may be an adjective, a verb, a common or proper noun, or any other word that may suggest itself. The cards are then gathered up and the hostess writes all the words on a large piece of white paper with a red pencil, so that, when hung up, it can be seen all over the room. Then each guest is invited to write a short story in which every one of the words appears, all of them being used grammatically and in a manner to make sense. The time of work should be limited to ten minutes. When the stories are complete the authors are invited to read them aloud, or the hostess collects them and reads them herself. The results are often very amusing. The rhapsody also makes a good school exercise.

PROPER EXERCISE FOR BOYS

Half Hour's Daily Practice on Machine Will Keep Growing Youth in Best of Condition.

As indicated by the illustration this simple device will serve for a swing flying ring and trapeze. In setting it up keep in mind the fact that it must necessarily be strong. It must not wobble very much, and the timbers used must be at least 4 by 6 and of a



Parts of Swing Trainer.

strong, sound oak. For a fifteen-year-old boy of ordinary stature the height above the ground should be ten feet. The best way of setting the posts is to bed them in concrete. Dig your holes three feet deep and erect the timbers in a perfectly upright position. You will need a level to do this, and you must have light slats or props nailed to the uprights to keep them from moving while you are shoveling in the concrete. The concrete mixture is one sack of cement (100 pounds) costing 40 cents, and eight cubic feet of broken stone and sand or river sand. Mix it thin and put in around the posts, a little at a time. Fig. 5 makes the idea clear. It will take three weeks for the concrete to set firm and hard and during that time you must not touch the posts.

The top crosspiece has two holes bored for the rope, and a rounded notch "Y" for the rope to slide in. The cleat Fig. 4 is used to shorten the rope by tying it around same. Fig. 2 shows the shape of the swing seat and the method of setting it in place.

A half hour's daily practice on this device will go a great way toward keeping a growing boy in good condition. Begin with ten minutes of light work and gradually increase it.

Juvenile Wisdom.

The elderly visitor with the benignant countenance was addressing the Sunday school on the subject of kindness to dumb creatures.

"Children," he said, "in the downtown district of Chicago, in the very heart of the city, you will see thousands of pigeons, all plump and well fed. Somebody looks after them. Why do we feed and cherish them?"

"Cause you're 'fraid you'll have to use 'em fer meat some day," hazarded a deeply interested little boy in the infant class.

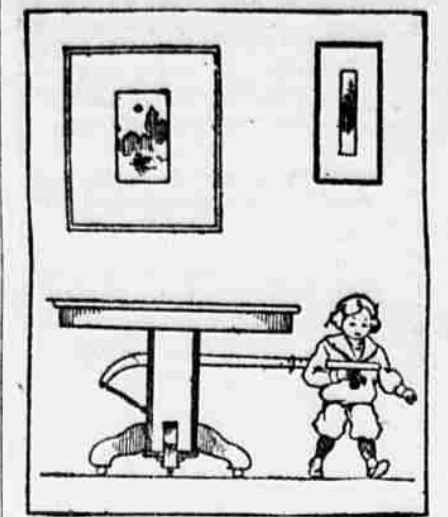
Longest Sentence.

For the longest sentence on record we must go to the French. In "Les Misérables" Victor Hugo has one sentence that runs through a hundred lines, and earlier in the book, in one of the chapters descriptive of Waterloo, there are over 50 lines without a full stop.

DEVELOP A CHILD'S MUSCLES

Exercising Device Attached to Table Pedestal Has Been Designed—Spring Holds Him Up.

For developing a child's muscles and otherwise exercising him a New York man has designed the accompanying attachment for tables. Through a slot in the pedestal of the table a horizontal arm is thrust and pivoted. A short downward curved end of the arm is fastened to the bottom of the pedestal by means of a coiled spring, and on the other and longer end of the arm is a ring to support a child. The child can walk back and forth until his legs are strong enough to bear his weight unaided, the spring supporting him in the meantime, while a bracket limits the lateral movement of the arm in



Exerciser for Child.

one direction. Even after he is well developed a child will probably find lots of pleasure and exercise in riding about on this device.

ALPHABET IS EVER CHANGING

Painters Cause Certain Letters to Assume New Shapes—Cultivating Artistic Side of Trade.

Alphabets are suffering a change of form at the hands of modern sign painters, remarks the Philadelphia Record. For many years letters have held certain distinct forms, which gave them their names and classes. Sign painters, however, are cultivating the artistic side of their trade, and from various signs displayed all over the city there seems to be a great unanimity of opinion among them as to the appearance of certain letters in one of the alphabets.

This new idea seems to be a tendency to fill in and "balance" blank spaces. It was first to be observed on the letter "L." The painter saw fit to add a frill about the middle of the space between the base and the upright. Next the letter "O" of the series was attacked and the ornamentation went in the middle, making the familiar letter resemble an old Greek "theta." "A" and "V" and "Q" have been the latest to be touched up.

If the idea spreads much further the entire alphabet will change its face.

ILLINOIS YOUTH WAS PLUCKY

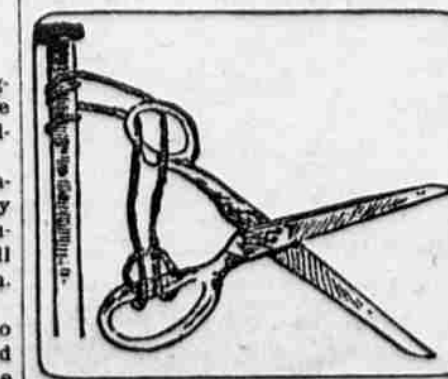
While Hunting for Squirrels Boy Discovers Hiding Place of Wolf and Cubs—Kills Them All.

A boy of fourteen, in Illinois, started out with a dog, a revolver and an axe, hunting for squirrels, and found something else. After getting into the deep woods, the dog suddenly charged a hollow log, and barked furiously. The boy tried to "sic" him on, but without avail. Then the boy knelt down and peered into the cavity, and saw a whole lot of eyes gleaming at him. When he recovered from his surprise, he took another look, and made out the group to be a she-wolf with six cubs. She snapped her teeth viciously, and would have come out had it not been for the presence of the cubs. The boy was a strategist. He sharpened some stakes with his axe, and drove them into the earth in front of the opening; and having thus imprisoned the wolf, killed it with his revolver. When she was dead, the boy up ended the log, tumbled out the cubs, killed them with the axe, and then marched home with seven scalps, for which he received a handsome bounty.

TO UNTIE CAPTIVE SCISSORS

Considerable Amusement Is Furnished by Releasing Instrument When Once Fastened.

A neat trick for affording amusement at an entertainment of young people is shown in the illustration.



The Captive Scissors.

Fasten a pair of scissors securely with a piece of string to some convenient article.

Can you release them without cutting or unfastening the string? The scissors can be easily released by passing the loop upward through the handle, and then completely over them.

CUTTING OF \$140,000,000 IS UP TO HIM



W. Averill Harriman, just twenty-one years old, has set the speculators of Wall street guessing as to how he will cast his deciding vote in the cutting up and distribution of the juiciest melon that Wall street has heard of in years. The Union Pacific railroad, which was the pet road of E. H. Harriman, the boy's father, has accumulated the tremendous surplus of \$59,000,000. To this has been added the \$81,000,000 which came into the coffers of the railroad with the sale, by court orders, of the Southern Pacific railroad. Now, young Harriman, Yale 1913, holds the deciding vote in the distribution of this vast sum of money.

ODD CITY TRADES

Sawdust Wholesaler Who Handles Refuse of Mills.

Men Make a Specialty of Putting New Faces on Old Stores and Dwelling Houses—Role of Chimney Expert.

New York.—Among the occupations of New York city are many of an unusual nature, which could not exist elsewhere than in a center of vast population. Specialized occupations these are, which demand a huge population from which to draw their patronage. New York is the city of specialized trades. Innumerable articles which in smaller cities could be but a by-product of some more general business find here a sufficient market to make their separate existence possible.

There is the sawdust man, for instance, who in New York is a very important business man. The wholesale sawdust dealer advertises all kinds of sawdust and requests that you will telephone your needs so that there may be an early delivery.

It used to be that anyone who wanted sawdust went to the sawmill and asked for as much as he wanted. There was only one kind of sawdust in the good old days and that was an unimpaired product which anybody could have for the asking. Now the sawdust wholesaler will tell you that sawdust is a very valuable product and that the sawdust business is offering greater opportunities every day.

There are about sixty kinds of sawdust on the market, so says the sawdust expert, and all of them have their stated uses in the realm of trade.

Mahogany sawdust is just as aristocratic and elegant a product as mahogany furniture. It is useful for smoking—not as tobacco. Mahogany sawdust is employed because of the good, clear kind of work that it does in smoking hams, fish, etc.

All the way from the preparation of food to the polishing of precious metals, ranges the usefulness of sawdust. The hardwood dusts are used for polishing in some jewelers' shops and cheaper sawdusts are used for polishing floors and in the fur business sawdust is useful.

There are several firms in New York who have no other care in this world than to discover the dark secrets of why chimneys smoke. They don't bother to attend to the big buildings, either. They are almost entirely devoted to solving the secrets of the domestic hearth. Business is plentiful, too, for nowadays everybody who builds a new house in the country or the suburbs of New York wants at least one open fire in it, and, strange to say, there are more new chimneys that smoke than there are new chimneys that don't smoke. So there you are with an excellent opportunity for the smoking chimney doctor—and all directly in the New York zone. In less closely populated regions the new householder with a smoking chimney is obliged to consult an architect, a mason or an oldest inhabitant—usual

ly with results much more doubtful than when the chimney specialist is called in.

In line with the chimney expert is the man who devotes his life to defective hot water pipes. He calls himself a domestic engineer, but hastily asserts, on being interviewed, that he isn't intending any interference with the domestic relations court and that his domestic engineering ceases when the hot water pipes are in perfect order and there are no general heating repairs to be made in the flat. He is a specialist in these two kinds of work and he is on tap for emergency service all the time.

Useful in the world of business as well as that of the home is the firm which takes care of floors.

Making over store fronts is an industry which has found so many patrons in New York that a number of firms have found it profitable to set aside all other forms of building and devote themselves wholly to helping New York merchants improve the appearance of their establishments by putting a new face on the matter. All classes of merchants, from the small dealer in the suburb to the great dry goods firms which do millions of dollars' worth of business in a year, indulge in the luxury of a new kind of front to their business homes every once in so often. The new store front builder is also an architect and his art demands all the taste, discretion and sense of appropriateness which are required for the erection of an entire new building, with perhaps a greater degree of ingenuity. In line with the new store front enterprises there are certain firms of architects which have made a reputation for their ability in the making over of house fronts in city houses, so that, while the remodeled residences fit perfectly into their place in the city block, they at the same time are greatly improved in appearance and are given an originality of aspect which enables the occupants of the mansion and the friends of the family to recognize a residence without referring to the number on the transom.

DOES STONE HIDE FORTUNE?

British Savant Makes Archaeological Find in West Donegal—Great Interest Is Aroused.

Belfast.—Great interest has been aroused in archaeological circles by the discovery made by Prof. Edward Spencer Dodgson of Jesus college, Oxford. The peculiar markings on the stone found by the savant at Kilult, Falcarragh, West Donegal, are believed to provide a clue to the whereabouts of an extensive treasure belonging to an ancient Irish chieftain, and supposed to be hidden in the immediate neighborhood. Several rare gold ornaments were found near by during the digging of a mound sixty years ago.

Professor Dodgson found the stone, which is over a yard in length, partially exposed in a field less than a hundred yards from the local Protestant church. The position of the stone

RATTLERS ARE LOVING PETS

So Says "Lonesome Jack" Allman, Who Has Caught 18,000 in California.

Los Angeles.—Ever since Lonesome Jack Allman was seven years old he has been "foolin' round" snakes. He has captured his 18,000th snake.

"The rattlesnake is the most intelligent of all reptiles and the most affectionate," Jack declared. "After they have been fanged they are the most desirable of snake pets. They can be made to come to you just like a pet dog or cat." Jack and his brother Sherley made a journey through the mountains the past week in quest of snakes and brought back several large rattlers.

"I found out that rattlers were thicker in the mountains this summer than they have been for years," he said. "The season seems to have been just right to bring them out. A forest ranger told me that he had killed more this summer than in the last five years put together."

"I have been bitten by rattlers seven times in my life, but always had permanganate of potash with me and saved myself from serious harm. I promptly split the wound with my knife and apply the antidote before the poison has had time to get into my system."

When Jack returned with the reptiles he entertained his friends with an exhibition of snake dentistry, in which he extracted the fangs from several rattlers.

"It isn't generally known that a rattlesnake has seven sets of fangs," Jack continues. "There is one pair of main fangs, one pair of reserve fangs and five pairs of fangs which float in the poison sac. If the main fangs are removed and one of the other pairs left in the mouth they will very shortly grow into position to be used. When I am traveling in the mountains and see a snake track in the dust I can examine it and tell what kind of a snake made it, which way it was traveling and about how long it has been since it passed by. I have a call that will attract rattlesnakes to me if they are near. I discovered the sound accidentally and keep it a secret."

Find 300 Diamond in Oysters. Wakefield, Mass.—While eating dinner, Mrs. Margaret Barret found in a plate of oysters a diamond, finely cut and polished.

TO WEAR BYZANTINE CROWN

King Constantine of Greece Will Be Hailed as "Augustus" at the Coronation.

Vienna.—An invitation has reached Emperor Francis Joseph to participate as an honored guest at the splendid and unique coronation ceremonies in Athens next May, when King Constantine of Greece and his royal spouse will be crowned.

The feature of the ceremony will lie in the fact that the Byzantine imperial diadem of old will be placed on the brow of the ruler of a small but ambitious kingdom, and that with the crowning will go the assumption of the ancient title of "Augustus."

The very crown of the old Byzantine empire, kept hitherto in the monas-



King Constantine.

tory of Mount Athos, will be used on this occasion, with the purple robe of old.

Simultaneous with the coronation festivities there will be a fortnight's athletic games in the stadium at Athens and historical plays will be given in the Acropolis.

Austrians are wondering how Russia will like this assumption of successorship of Byzantium.

How Famous Hymn Was Written. As Tennyson's nurse was sitting one day at his bedside, sharing to a degree the general anxiety about the patient, she said to him suddenly:

"You have written a great many poems, sir, but I have never heard anybody say that there is a hymn among them all. I wish, sir, you would write a hymn while you are lying on your sick bed. It might help and comfort many a poor sufferer."

The next morning, when the nurse had taken her quiet place at the bedside, the poet handed her a scrap of paper, saying: "Here is the hymn you wished me to write."

She took it from his hands with expressions of grateful thanks. It proved to be "Crossing the Bar," the poem that was sung in Westminster Abbey at Tennyson's funeral, and which has touched so many hearts.

A CLERGYMAN'S TESTIMONY.

The Rev. Edmund Heslop of Wigton, Pa., suffered from Dropsy for a year. His limbs and feet were swollen and puffed. He had heart fluttering, was dizzy and exhausted at the least exertion. Hands and feet were cold and he had such a dragging sensation across the joints that it was difficult to move.



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